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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science & Technology

1. OXCART mission BX6737 was flown on 8 December 1967 against targets of interest in Cambodia and North Vietnam. This was the nineteenth BLACK SHIELD mission to date. The aircraft departed Kadena AB at 0200Z and accomplished two runs over Cambodia. Mission duration was four hours and five minutes and recovery at Kadena AB was normal.

2. Over the prime target area in Cambodia, pilot reports target weather was 30% cloud cover on first pass and approximately 50% cloud cover on second pass. Pilot indicated he could see the ground in the prime target area. Weather over North Vietnam was overcast.

3. Initial reports indicate aircraft was tracked for approximately 10 minutes in North Vietnam and Laos on the first pass.

25X1D No cockpit [] indications were reported. On the second pass cockpit [] beginning in Thailand, over Cambodia and to exit point over South Vietnam. It is not known at this time whether these lights were caused by equipment malfunction []

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4. Mission take has departed Kadena and is due to arrive Rochester, New York, at 0130L, 9 December 1967.

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